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TREASURY TO AUCTION \$7,000 MILLION OF 29-1/2-YEAR 3-7/8% INFLATION-INDEXED BONDS

The Treasury will auction \$7,000 million of 29-1/2-year 3-7/8% inflation-indexed bonds to raise cash.

Amounts bid by Federal Reserve Banks for their own accounts and as agents for foreign and international monetary authorities will be added to the offering.

The auction will be conducted in the single-price auction format. All competitive and noncompetitive awards will be at the highest yield of accepted competitive tenders.

The bonds being offered today are eligible for the STRIPS program.

This offering of Treasury securities is governed by the terms and conditions set forth in the Uniform Offering Circular for the Sale and Issue of Marketable Book-Entry Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds (31 CFR Part 356, as amended).

For original issue discount (OID), IRS regulations permit reopenings of inflation-indexed securities without regard to OID rules, provided that the reopenings occur not more than one year after the original securities were first issued to the public. Therefore, the OID limit does not apply to this auction.

Details about the security are given in the attached offering highlights.

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Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS OF TREASURY OFFERING TO THE PUBLIC OF 29-1/2-YEAR INFLATION-INDEXED BONDS TO BE ISSUED OCTOBER 15, 1999

September 29, 1999

Offering Amount\$7,000 million

Description of Offering:

Series Bonds of April 2029

CUSIP number 912810 FH 6

Auction date October 6, 1999

Issue date October 15, 1999

Real yield Determined at auction Interest payment dates April 15 and October 15

Winimum bid amount and multiples 41 000

Minimum bid amount and multiples \$1,000

Accrued interest payable

by investor None

Premium or discount Determined at auction

STRIPS Information:

Submission of Bids:

Noncompetitive bids: Accepted in full up to \$5,000,000 at the highest accepted yield. Competitive bids:

- (1) Must be expressed as a real yield with three decimals, e.g., 3.123%.
- (2) Net long position for each bidder must be reported when the sum of the total bid amount, at all yields, and the net long position is \$2 billion or greater.
- (3) Net long position must be determined as of one half-hour prior to the closing time for receipt of competitive tenders.

Maximum Recognized Bid

at a Single Yield35% of public offering
Maximum Award35% of public offering

Receipt of Tenders:

Noncompetitive tenders .Prior to 12:00 noon Eastern Daylight Saving time on auction day Competitive tendersPrior to 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Saving time on auction day

<u>Payment Terms</u>: By charge to a funds account at a Federal Reserve Bank on issue date, or payment of full par amount with tender. *TreasuryDirect* customers can use the Pay Direct feature which authorizes a charge to their account of record at their financial institution on issue date.

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